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IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel Claims 31 – 50.

Please add the following new claims:

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

51. A surgical trocar comprising:

an elongate rod having a sharp end; and

a recess in an outer surface of said rod, said recess being configured to receive locking means housed in a receiver.

52. The surgical trocar of Claim 51 wherein said rod is locked inside said receiver, thereby shielding said sharp end.

53. The surgical trocar of Claim 51, further comprising surgical drain that is attachable to said rod.